

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION III 1650 Arch Street Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103-2029

February 15, 2017

CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. James E. Cochran, Jr. Big Sandy Oil Company P.O. Box 269 Franklin, Pennsylvania 16323

Re:

Big Sandy Oil Company; Notice of Violation; Failure to submit 2016 Annual Monitoring

Report

Dear Mr. Cochran:

Our records indicate that you are the legal owner/operator of the Big Sandy Oil Company facility located in Franklin, Pennsylvania. As owner/operator of a Class II enhanced recovery facility, you are required to comply with the Underground Injection Control (UIC) regulations found in 40 C.F.R.§§ 144-147, and the conditions specified in your UIC permit PAS2R941BVEN.

40 C.F.R. § 144.51(1)(4) and 146.23(c) of the UIC regulations, and Part II, Section D.9 of your permit, require that you prepare and submit an Annual Monitoring Report for each calendar year for your facility. Annual monitoring reports include results of required monitoring, injection fluid volume and pressure, mechanical integrity testing, wells plugged and other changes that have taken place at your facility during the specified calendar year. The Annual Monitoring Reports for a given calendar year are due by January 31st of the following year.

As of the date of this letter, we have not received the 2016 Annual Monitoring Report for the Big Sandy Oil facility. As such, you are in violation of the UIC program regulation and your UIC permit. We therefore request that you submit your completed Annual Monitoring Report by February 28, 2017. Failure to do so may subject you to further enforcement, including an Administrative Order with a penalty, so please give this matter your serious attention. If you have any questions, please contact Rosalind Moore of my staff at 215-814-3252.

Sincerely,

James C. Bennett, Chief (3WP22)

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Office of Drinking Water & Source Water Protection